

Dublin, Dec. 16. 1853

Dear Mr May - As it is now near the
end of the year I send you the state-
ment of account you asked for - &
from which it appears I am now debtor
£40. 9. 0. 1/2 From this balance, however
must be deducted when I pay for them
next month the cost of the De La Rue
articles. Their troubles said he would
prefer we did not record the amount
of these account, as he would make
a larger deduction for by way of dis-
count who knows we only in the way
of business & would not make an allow-
ance such as he has power to do for the
sake of our agent. These goods will
probably come to £35. Then I have not
added my own usual donation of £5
to this agent, until I actually pay it,
which will be when the account is settled.
Supposing De La Rue paid, my donation
handed in, you may consider me now
debtor for about £10 - this will appear
exactly in the next statement. Mean-
time you can make any statement re-
mains on my statement you please

You will observe that I have debited
you for £1.8. on a box of articles sent
from Dublin to Rochester. This box was
included in my account to the same
person ~~to who~~ had the forwarding of other
other boxes. If I had been at home I would
not have allowed of this confusion of
Rochester & Boston. On the credit side
you have 12/6 from Dr Hutton for Douglas,
Papers and 14/6 half freight from the Dublin
Ladies for his box. This pays you to within
10/6d. & if you can get this balance
from Douglas I will be well pleased.

I have sent bills to several
persons for their papers who have
not yet paid. As soon as I get the
money I will credit you. I think it
would be well I should send you a
statement half yearly - and ~~for~~ ^{into} any
balance left in my hands at the be-
ginning of May I will send it on to
you in any way you direct.

I hear from Miss Ellen almost
daily - her mental & moral friends with
so much bodily weakness ~~in~~ cause
of an anticipated amputation to my

wife and to me.

You will oblige by sending without
delay from the 1st Jan. 1854, the
Liberator and Standard to the Rev.
J. Alfred Steinthal, a Unitarian minister
in Bedford, and a very good fellow.
I have never seen him, but in correspondence,
& I have great hopes of him.

I thank you for your good word for the
Advocate - I enjoy every thing of this
kind chiefly on Mr Estlin's account for
he takes great enjoyment in the little
papers.

I have been a little delatary, or sub-
intelligent about Mr Steinthal's Standard
and am anxious to make up for my
misapprehension by your promptitude.

Waiting to hear from you before long
with any scraps of news we have to
send - (I fear none for I am not quite
well but in good so-so-skip-skip condition)
I remain ever truly & respectfully

Rich^d D Webb

